

United States Court of Appeals  
for the Fifth Circuit

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No. 22-50148  
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No. 22-50159  
Summary Calendar

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United States Court of Appeals  
Fifth Circuit

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Lyle W. Cayce  
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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

*Plaintiff—Appellee,*

*versus*

EFRAIN GONZALEZ-PARGAS,

*Defendant—Appellant.*

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Appeal from the United States District Court  
for the Western District of Texas  
USDC No. 4:21-CR-959-1  
USDC No. 4:21-CR-865-1

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Before STEWART, DENNIS, and WILLETT, *Circuit Judges.*

PER CURIAM:\*

Efrain Gonzalez-Pargas appeals his sentence for illegal reentry after removal, as well as the judgment revoking his term of supervised release for committing the new offense. He has not briefed, and has therefore

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\* This opinion is not designated for publication. *See* 5TH CIR. R. 47.5.

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abandoned, any challenge to the revocation of supervised release or his revocation sentence. *See Yohey v. Collins*, 985 F.2d 222, 224-25 (5th Cir. 1993).

For the first time on appeal, Gonzalez-Pargas argues that his sentence exceeds the statutory maximum and is therefore unconstitutional because the district court enhanced his sentence under 8 U.S.C. § 1326(b) based on facts that were neither alleged in the indictment nor found by a jury beyond a reasonable doubt. While he acknowledges this argument is foreclosed by *Almendarez-Torres v. United States*, 523 U.S. 224 (1998), he nevertheless seeks to preserve it for possible Supreme Court review. Accordingly, Gonzalez-Pargas has filed an unopposed motion for summary disposition.

Subsequent Supreme Court decisions such as *Alleyne v. United States*, 570 U.S. 99 (2013), and *Apprendi v. New Jersey*, 530 U.S. 466 (2000), did not overrule *Almendarez-Torres*. *See United States v. Pervis*, 937 F.3d 546, 553-54 (5th Cir. 2019). Thus, Gonzalez-Pargas is correct that his argument is foreclosed, and summary disposition is appropriate. *See Groendyke Transp., Inc. v. Davis*, 406 F.2d 1158, 1162 (5th Cir. 1969).

Gonzalez-Pargas's motion is GRANTED, and the district court's judgments are AFFIRMED.